AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON, VIRGINIA, HELD IN THE RUPPERT SARGENT BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR CONFERENCE, SECTION B, 1 FRANKLIN STREET, ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2005, AT 12:00 NOON.

The meeting was called to order by Dan Seachord, Chair of the Neighborhood Commission.

Councilman Randall A. Gilliland, Councilwoman Angela Lee Leary, Councilman Turner M. Spencer, Councilman Rhet Tignor and Ross A. Kearney, II, Mayor were in attendance.

Interim City Manager Jesse T. Wallace and City Attorney A. Paul Burton were also present.

The following members of the Neighborhood Commission were present: Dan Seachord, Chair, Jack Hall, Vice Chair, Matt Asay, Christine Ausink, Anne Bane, Andrew Bigelow, Donald Blagg, Levon Croswell, Jessica DeBusk, Brian DeProfio, Jerome Harper, Ted Hennefin, Amy Hobbs, Andre' McCloud, Will Moffett, Ed Novi, Michelle Simpson and Kirsten Vandergrift.

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05-0161/62: Work Session on Crime and Grime.

Ms. Joan Kennedy, Executive Director of the Hampton Neighborhood Commission, gave an update on the Crime and Grime Initiative

Previously the Mayor announced an aggressive campaign against blighted, slum and repetitive drug properties, after which staff recommended a plan which was supported by the Mayor, City Council and the Neighborhood Commission.

Today's meeting was to review, update and to clarify the role of the Neighborhood Commission.

A Review of Neighborhood Investments

Reinvestment/redevelopment

Routine Service Delivery

Neighborhood organization assistance

Aggressive blight abatement

Neighborhood Plan Neighborhoods

District Area Resource Team (DART) Areas

Strengthening Our Approach

Enhanced neighborhood-city relationship building Step Up Enforcement of "Crime and Grime" Role of Neighborhood Commission

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Hampton Housing Venture Update

Mike Canty, Director of In-Sync Partnership made a presentation on Hampton's Housing Venture. Information was given on "Get Your Move On", Hampton's first ever city wide open house scheduled for May 7, 2005 at the Hampton Roads Convention Center

A unique opportunity for potential home buyers

Ride trolley to tour neighborhoods and showcase homes

Hampton Roads Convention Center public grand opening and free tours

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

	Ross A. Kearney, II	
	Mayor	
Katherine K. Glass		
Clerk of Council		
Dated approved by Council		